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## **Corrections Official Report Death of State Inmate at the Mississippi State Penitentiary**

Jackson - Corrections officials today reported that state inmate **Sharon Smith MDOC** #**T8512A**, died Wednesday, April 23 at approximately 4:20 a.m. at the Mississippi State Penitentiary hospital in Parchman, Miss. A provisional report of autopsy indicates that Smith, a 56-year-old white female, died as the result of lung cancer. Smith was serving a 5-year sentence from Adams County for sale of a controlled substance.